



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Michael J. Kasper, Treasurer
Democratic Party of Illinois
P.O. Box 518
Springfield, IL 62705

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Identification Number: C00167015

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/98-9/30/98)

Dear Mr. Kasper:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) and 11 CFR §110.1(d) preclude a committee and its affiliates from receiving contributions from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with the clarifying information. If the contribution(s) you received exceeded the limits, you must seek reattribution of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.1(k), transfer-out the amount in excess of \$5,000 to an account not used to influence federal elections or refund the excessive amount to the donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In the best interest of your committee, all reattributions, transfers-out, and refunds should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution(s). In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of granting written authorization for a reattribution or transfer-out to another account or receiving a refund.

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Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution, transfer-out or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portions attached) discloses an apparent contribution(s) from a corporation(s). 2 U.S.C. §441b(a) prohibits the receipt of contributions from corporations unless made from a separate segregated fund established by the corporation.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have received a corporate contribution(s), you must transfer-out the impermissible funds to an account not used to influence federal elections or refund the full amount to the donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In the best interest of your committee, all transfers-out and refunds should be made within thirty days of the treasurer's receipt of the impermissible funds. In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of receiving a refund or granting written authorization for a transfer to another account.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. In addition, any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of a prohibited contribution, prompt action by your committee to transfer-out or refund the amount will be taken into consideration.

-You must attempt to obtain the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer for all individuals who contribute more than \$200 in a calendar year. Please amend your report to include the omitted information.

A committee may establish "best efforts" by providing the Commission with a description of its procedures for requesting the information. It is also in the best interests of the committee to provide a copy of its solicitation. In order to establish "best efforts", the committee must demonstrate that it makes at least one request for the information after the contribution is received. This one request must be made for any solicited or unsolicited contribution that, in the aggregate, exceeds the \$200 threshold and lacks the necessary information.

Each solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the information. If a committee receives a contribution that, in the aggregate, exceeds the \$200 threshold but lacks contributor information, the committee must, within 30 days, make a written or oral request for the information. Please note that a written request may not include an additional solicitation or material on any other subject, other than thanking the contributor for the donation, and must include a pre-addressed return post card or envelope for the contributor's response. An oral request must be documented in writing. Committees must also disclose information that was not provided by the contributor, but is available in any of the committee's records for that current election cycle.

If a committee receives contributor information after the contributions have been reported, the committee shall either a) file with its next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before its next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i) and 11 CFR § 104.7)

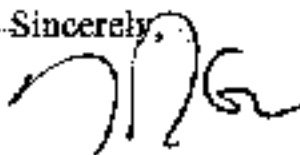
-Schedule H4 discloses 100% non-federal activity. Please be advised that by definition, this activity does not qualify as a shared expense to be allocated between your federal and non-federal accounts. This activity should be itemized on a Schedule B for Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Any reimbursement from your committee's non-federal account for any portion of this activity is not permissible and must be returned. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy.

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A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Neil Evans
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF ILLINOIS IDENTIFICATION #: C00167015 7/01/98 TO 09/30/98

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
BRUCE M. COOK, ATTORNEY AT LAW
28 ONE KNOLL
BELLEVILLE IL 62220

Name of Employer
BRUCE M. COOK, ATTORNEY AT LAW

Occupation: ATTORNEY

Date (month, day, year) 09/17/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period 10000.00

Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 10000.00

Receipt For: GENERAL

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
DONALD J. BOLAN, LTD.
ONE NORT LEXALLE
CHICAGO IL 60602

Name of Employer
BOLAN LAW GROUP

Occupation: ATTORNEY

Date (month, day, year) 09/19/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period 5000.00

Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 5000.00

Receipt For: GENERAL

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
E.L. FLAKPUL M.D. M.S. S.C.
2315 E. 93RD STREET
CHICAGO IL 60617

Name of Employer

Occupation:

Date (month, day, year) 09/16/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period 500.00

Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 500.00

Receipt For: GENERAL

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
EDWIN R. McDONALD III D.D.S.
3195 BROADWAY
GARY IN 46409

Name of Employer

Occupation:

Date (month, day, year) 09/16/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period 250.00

Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 250.00

Receipt For: GENERAL

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
GORDON & SCHWENKMEYER, INC.
550 N. CONTINENTAL BLVD.
EL SEQUOIA CA 90245

Name of Employer

Occupation:

Date (month, day, year) 08/29/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period 2000.00

Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 4500.00

Receipt For: GENERAL

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional)

17750.00

SCHEDULE 1

ITEMIZED RECEIPTS

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Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
GORDON & SCHWENKMEYER, INC.
550 N. CONTINENTAL BLVD.
EL SEQUENDO CA 90245

Name of Employer
Occupation:

Date(month, day, year)
08/29/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period
2500.00

Receipt For: GENERAL Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 4500.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
GORDON AND SCHWENKMEYER
550 N. CONTINENTAL BLVD.
EL SEQUENDO CA 90245

Name of Employer
Occupation:

Date(month, day, year)
08/29/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period
5000.00

Receipt For: GENERAL Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 5000.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
MADNIC
2650 LAKEVIEW AVENUE
CHICAGO IL 60614

Name of Employer
Occupation:

Date(month, day, year)
07/17/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period
1000.00

Receipt For: GENERAL Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 2000.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
MADNIC
2650 LAKEVIEW AVENUE
CHICAGO IL 60614

Name of Employer
Occupation:

Date(month, day, year)
07/17/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period
1000.00

Receipt For: GENERAL Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 2000.00

Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code
ROBERT G. FLYNN, CLU
255 E. PLATO BLVD.
ST. PAUL IL 60107

Name of Employer
Occupation:

Date(month, day, year)
09/01/1998

Amount of Each Receipt this period
300.00

Receipt For: GENERAL Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 300.00

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional)

9800.00

